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# Professors' Views Differ On CIA Role

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Ever since "Ramparts", a magazine of the New Left, disclosed the CIA subsidies of student groups, such as the National Student Association (NSA), controversy has flared over whether or not academic freedom has been compromised.

NSA, the largest of these groups, has over 300 hundred member universities and represents over 1.3 million American students. For the last 15 years the CIA has pumped over \$200,000 into NSA annually.

Reaction to CIA involvement was expressed by two UF professors, Dr. Merlin G. Cox, associate professor of Social Sciences and Dr. Marshall Jones, assistant professor of Psychology.

"The CIA would have been justified," Dr. Cox said, "if they would have operated publicly." Cox felt the CIA was accustomed to "closed-door procedures" but

that it was a mistake to apply these techniques to student organizations.

Cox also considered the CIA as "too independent." He said the foreign policy makers and congress should exercise more control over the agency's actions. "The most serious infringement is on the right of privacy," he said.

Liberal campus critic, Jones, said, "There is no justification for the CIA's activities; subsidies are unnecessary and damaging to groups like NSA if they are to authentically represent American students."

"All agencies fund trips to Eur-

ope," he said, "but they should go as professionals not spies."

Dr. Jones was pleased, however, with the American public. "I am pleased that people are upset," he said. Jones explained similar kinds of revelations by the New York Times had met with no response because Americans were so immersed in cold war thinking.

Commenting on a recent statement by former Senator Barry Goldwater that the CIA was only funding left wing groups like NSA, Jones said, "Right wing groups have no place over seas."

Former members of the CIA on the faculty were contacted but they refused to comment because they had signed CIA papers forbidding them to give information.

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